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REMARKS

Claims 1-32 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 1, 29 and 31, drawn to a compound;

Group II, claims 2-4, drawn to a sintered titanium compound;

Group III, claims 5-19, drawn to a sintered body of perovskite and whitlockite;

Group IV, claims 10-16, drawn to a process of making a sintered body of a titanium compound:

Group V, claims 17-20, 30 and 32, drawn to a sintered body of a titanium compound and an inorganic substance defined in claim 20; and

Group VI, claims 21-28, drawn to a method of making a sintered body of a titanium compound and an inorganic substance.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group III, Claims 5-19.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Gerald M. Murphy, Jr., Registration No 28,977, at the telephone number below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

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Application No.: 10/581,741 Docket No.: 3691-0131PUS1 Reply to Office Action dated January 25, 2008 Art Unit: 1793 Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time. Attached hereto is the fee transmittal listing the required fees. If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees. Dated: Respectfully submitted, FEB 2.5 2008 Registration Nb.: 28,977 BIRCH, STEWART, KOLAŠCH & BIRCH, LLP 8110 Gatehouse Road Suite 100 East P.O. Box 747

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